

Village of Spring Valley
Village Board – Regular meeting
February 23rd, 2017

Call to Order: President pro tem Ducklow called to order at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers Village Hall.

Members Present: Jacobson, Falde, O’Connell, Vorlicek

Members Absent: Brunkhorst, Huepfel

Others present: Clerk/Treasurer Emerson, Cedar Corporation Steinmeyer & Sander

Public Hearing for special assessments South 2nd Street project opened 7:06 p.m. Steinmeyer gave an overview of the project. Chris Zimmerman asked about the existence of additional sewer laterals out from his building to the alley. Steinmeyer will check into this. Zimmerman also asked about the assessment payment schedule being at 7% over 3 years. Sander explained that previous assessment payments were set up this way and added to the tax roll for the property owners, but this is not definite; it can be decided at the final assessment hearing. Parking was also discussed. The project will align that block with the block east of McKay so straight-in parking will be lost and this is the only parking available for Zimmerman’s tenants. Parallel parking would be extended to both sides of South 2nd Street as curb and gutter will be added to the south side of the street. Ducklow stated that the parking situation can be discussed when it gets closer to finishing the project. Vorlicek explained that the bids will not be reviewed by the board until the April 5th meeting, the village is looking for substantial completion by August 1st 2017, and if the project does not go forward the village will lose LRIP grant funding.

Public Hearing closed 7:14 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: Motion (Jacobson/O’Connell) to approve all minutes. Carried.

Approval of Agenda: Item #4 CSM Morrow Property tabled until April 5th meeting when all board members are present and bids have been reviewed. **Motion (Falde/Jacobson) to approve agenda as adjusted. Carried.**

Appearances: Jack Hannack asked where the village stands on the Morrow project. Ducklow explained that in November 2016 the board, on a 5/2 vote, signed a Memorandum of Understanding. This document states that the parties have not yet entered into a final, binding agreement; the village has intent to purchase based upon certain contingencies. Soil borings were done to determine underground conditions and bedrock depth. Original layout of a connecting road between Red Fox and Silver Fox has been changed to a cul-de-sac extending Red Fox further east, and a cul-de-sac extending from Silver Fox south where a road is currently stubbed in. The village agreed to purchase the parcel only if the village can recoup costs from the sale of the lots. Costs will be determined by bids received to install infrastructure, cost of actual land, and other misc. costs. The bid process has been unexpectedly pushed back an entire month due to a publication problem. Bids open March 2nd 2017 and the board will review them at the April 5th meeting. Cudd Brothers have no interest in developing their property because they are no longer in the business of developing property. Glen Johansen asked Why? Ducklow explained that there are no lots left in Spring Valley to build on, the board wants people to move to Spring Valley, and several people have expressed interest in building here. Ducklow called Appearances closed. There will be a public meeting at 6:00 p.m. before the regular board meeting on Wednesday April 5th.

- 1. Special Assessments South 2nd Street Newman to McKay –** Sander reiterated that a final resolution will be done at a later date, assessment schedule will be finalized at that time.
- 2. Iron Horse Saloon – Motion (Falde/O’Connell) to allow a tent behind Iron Horse Saloon with open container in the tent for St. Jude’s Benefit on Saturday April 1st. Carried.**
- 3. PW updates –** Two laterals were found on Silver Fox Ct near the Stangl property. PW has been in contact with Pember. Cedar Corporation will put together a legal bid for new roof on village hall and fire hall, rough estimate being \$80,000 for the municipal hall and \$83,600 for the fire hall. It is in the 2017 budget.
- 4. CSM on Morrow property –** Tabled until April 5th meeting.
- 5. O’Connell is still looking into web site options with current provider West Wisconsin Telcom**
- 6. Village will be responsible for facilities at Handy Andy park**
- 7. Clerk Emerson will contact J&J Window Washing about cost to clean windows at the Community Center. Both CC and village hall windows will be addressed at the April meeting.**
- 8. Motion (Jacobson/Falde) to approve Operator’s License for Joan Good – temporary Dam Days. Carried.**
- 9. Motion (Jacobson/Falde) to approve Pay requests and Treasurer’s report. Carried.**
- 10. April meeting is set for Wednesday April 5th, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. There will be a public meeting at 6:00 p.m. to hear comments on the Morrow property.**

11. Annual meeting is set for Tuesday April 18th, 2017 at @ 7:00 pm.

Reports:

Police: February: 10 traffic and ordinance citations. Calls for service were up 28% compared to this time last year. Chief's Conference went well. Planning for 2017 Safety Day with Fire and EMS has started. Aid (limited) has been offered to Elmwood until Office Shafer's position has been filled. **Accepted as presented.**

Library: The roof leak damaged ceiling tiles, wall hangings, keyboards. Second leak this winter.

Clerk: Election went o.k. 68 votes were cast. Audit finished just before the meeting tonight. Legion requested Temporary Class B Beer license for Dam Days weekend. CVTC is looking for district board members. Luann will be gone March 17th, and April 21-24. Spring election is Tuesday April 4th.

President:

Motion (Falde/O'Connell) to go into closed session pursuant to WI State Statute 19.85 (1)(e) for deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business.

Motion (O'Connell/Jacobson) to go back into open session.

Motion (Jacobson/O'Connell) to adjourn. Carried.

Respectfully submitted Luann Emerson